

Volunteer Partner Newsletter November/December 2016

Mark Your Calendar:

(Monday) November 7, 2016

Board Meeting Time: 1:00 p.m. LMC Conf. Room 4

(Thurs. & Fri.) November 10- 11, 2016

Nutman Fundraiser Thursday 10:00-3:30 Friday 8:00-2:00 LMC Lobby

(Friday) November 18, 2016

Gift Shop
Holiday Open House
*Invitation to follow

(Monday) December 5, 2016

Board Meeting Time: 1:00 p.m. LMC Conf. Room 4

Lovelight Ceremony 3:30 Refreshments 4:00 Tree Lighting LMC Café



Partners of WHA 2016 Best of the Best Administrative Award Edward H. (Ned) Wolf

Partners of WHA, Inc. presented the **2016 Best of the Best Administrative Award** to LMC's own Ned Wolf at the Partners convention in Appleton on October 5th. In nominating Ned for this award, the Volunteer Partners of LMC shared many examples of his support, "without our Administrator's confidence in the volunteers and their talents, we would not have been able to think outside the box and create new volunteer programs."





Congratulation Ned!

In attendance for the award presentation (*left to right*): Dave Lhotka, Tammy Koger, WHA President Bonnie Olson, Gail Tully, Duke & Marlene Thurs, Judy Laudenbach, John Tully, Mary Lou Gabriel, and Carol Kramer.

Volunteer Partners Love Lights

Remember a friend or relative this Holiday Season with a gift of "Love & Light"

For a donation of **\$5.00** PER PERSON – PER LIGHT you can reserve:

- 1) A White Light to memorialize a deceased loved one, friend, or military Veteran;
- 2) A **Red Light** to <u>honor</u> a relative, friend, a Veteran or current military personnel; or simply to express a Christmas greeting;
- 3) A Blue Light to honor or memorialize a child (12 years or younger).
- 4) A Green Light to remember a beloved pet.

Those honored and remembered will:

- Receive a beautiful "Love Light Card" with the donor's name.
- Their name will be displayed in the hospital lobby throughout the Holiday season and appear in a commemorative brochure.

Proceeds from the 2016 Love Light Fundraiser will go to enhance and supplement the Volunteer Partners' Scholarship Program.

Love Light forms will be available at area banks, churches, senior citizen centers, Marshfield Clinic and Lakeview Medical Center.

Questions?
Love Light Co-Chairs:
Pat Drost
Gail Gifford

A helper sign-up sheet will be posted on the board by the computer by Tammy's office.

Read Out and Read

The clinic side of our campus is getting ready to begin a Reach Out and Read program. Reach Out and Read's thousands of doctors and nurses promote early literacy and school readiness to young children and their families in all 50 states. Each year, medical providers at the nearly 5,000 Reach Out and Read program sites nationwide distribute 6.5 million books to children and invaluable literacy advice to parents.



- Primary care providers (doctors, NPs, PAs and RNs) are trained to deliver early literacy guidance to parents of children 6 months through 5 years of age during each well-child visit. This age-appropriate guidance centers on the importance of: frequent and early exposure to language, looking at board books and naming pictures with infants, rhyme and repetition for gaining phonemic awareness during toddlerhood, and reading interactively (such as asking open-ended questions) when reading with preschoolers.
- During well-child visits for children ages 6 months through 5 years, the provider gives the child a new, developmentally-appropriate book to take home, building a collection of 8-10 new books in the home before the child goes to kindergarten.
- The provider also repeatedly prescribes reading aloud, every day.
- Reach Out and Read program sites also create literacy-rich environments that may include gently-used books for waiting room use or for siblings to take home.
- In some waiting rooms, Reach Out and Read volunteers model for parents the pleasures and techniques
 of reading aloud to very young children. We'd like to trial volunteers reading to children in the Family
 Practice waiting room on Mondays, 11:00-12:00. If interested, contact Tammy Koger.

To read more about the program, go to the website at: reachoutandread.org

Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in". —Author Unknown



Volunteer Opportunities

With winter fast approaching, many of our snowbirds will be heading for warmer climates. We currently have openings in the departments below. If you're interested in a new area or are able to pick up an additional shift here and there, Tammy would love to hear from you!

Escort: Some Monday PMs, every Tuesday AM, some Thursday AMs

Information Desk: Some Monday AMs, and Tuesday PMsSurgical Waiting: Some Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday PMs

Gift Shop: Varied days and shifts